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ra·di·al Pronunciation Key (ra/de-ol) adj.

1.

- a. Of, relating to, or arranged like rays or radii.
- b. Radiating from or converging to a common center.
- c. Having or characterized by parts so arranged or so radiating.
- 2. Moving or directed along a radius.
- 3. Anatomy. Of, relating to, or near the radius or forearm.
- 4. Developing symmetrically about a central point.

n.

- 1. A radial part, such as a ray, spoke, or radius.
- 2. A radial tire.

[Middle English, from Medieval Latin radiatis, from Latin radius, ray.]

ra di al·ly adv.

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\Ra\di*al\ a. [Cf. F. radial. See Radius.] Of or pertaining to a radius or ray; consisting of, or like, radii or rays; radiated; as, (Bot.) radial projections; (Zo["o] 1.) radial vessels or canals; (Anat.) the radial artery.

Radial symmetry. (Biol.) See under Symmetry.

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adj 1: relating to or near the radius; "the radial aspect of the forearm" 2: relating to or moving along or having the direction of a radius; "radial velocity" 3: issuing in rays; relating to rays of light; "intense radial heat" 4: arranged like rays or radii; radiating from a common center; "radial symmetry"; "a starlike or stellate arrangement of petals"; "many cities show a radial pattern of main highways" [syn: stellate] n: has radial-ply casing [syn: radial tire, radial ply tire]

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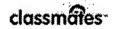
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